HOLY EUCHARIST: Rite II

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 10, 2023 ♦ 10:00 a.m.

Welcome to St. Barnabas, we're delighted that you're here. We hope you'll participate fully in our worship through singing, praying, hearing the Good News of Jesus Christ, and receiving communion. May God richly bless you as you bless us!

PRELUDE

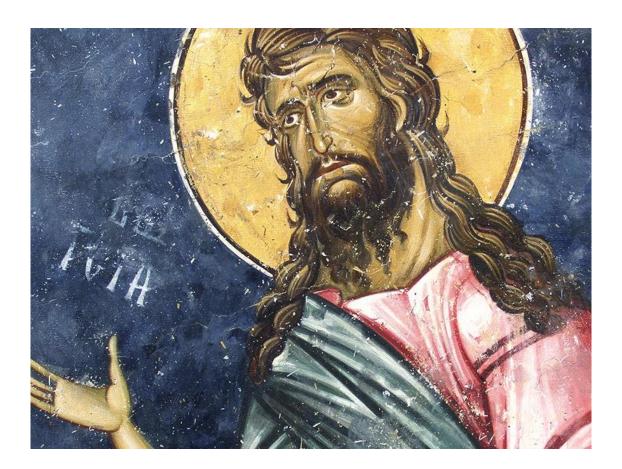
Comfort, comfort ye my people

Egil Hovland

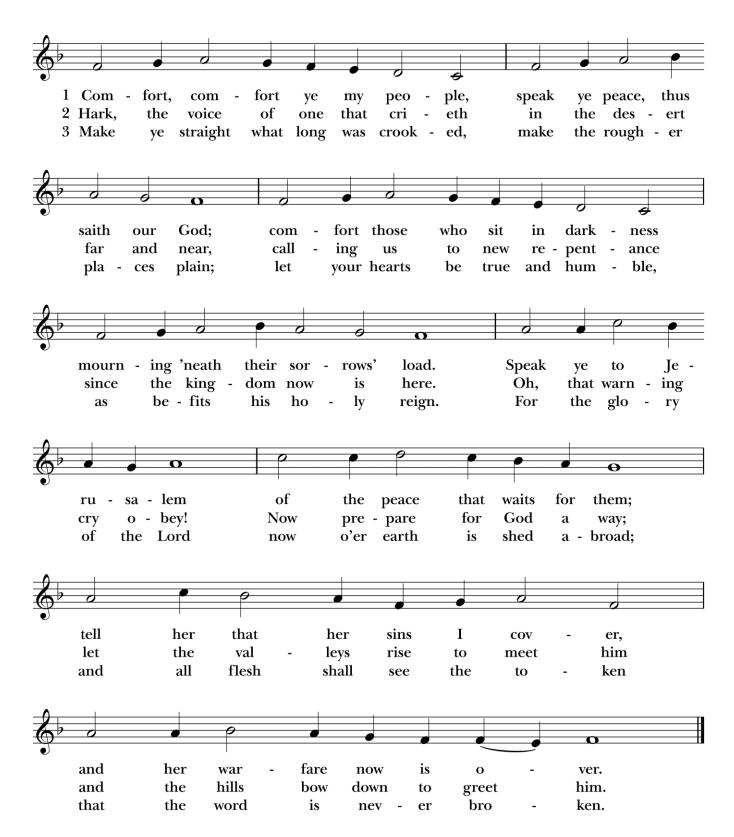
All stand as able at the sound of the tower bell. HYMN (sung by all, next page)

Comfort, comfort ye my people

(HYMNAL 67)



John the Baptist



Words: Johann G. Olearius (1611-1684); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), alt. Music: *Psalm 42*, melody and bass Claude Goudimel (1514-1572); harm. *Hymnal 1982*.

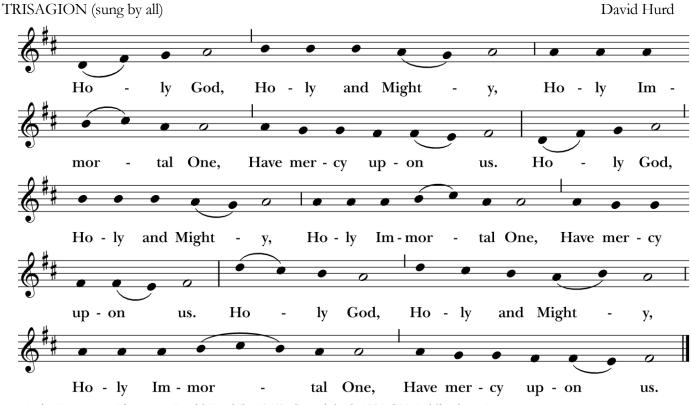
THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presiding PriestBlessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.PeopleAnd blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Presiding Priest and People

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.



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| Presiding Priest | The Lord be with you. |
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| People | And also with you. |
| Presiding Priest | Let us pray. |

Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

THE FIRST READING

READER: A Reading from the Book of Isaiah

Comfort, O comfort my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that she has served her term, that her penalty is paid, that she has received from the Lord's hand double for all her sins. A voice cries out: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain. Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken." A voice says, "Cry out!"

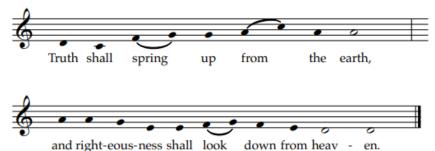
And I said, "What shall I cry?" All people are grass, their constancy is like the flower of the field. The grass withers, the flower fades, when the breath of the Lord blows upon it; surely the people are grass. The grass withers, the flower fades; but the word of our God will stand for ever. Get you up to a high mountain, Zion, herald of good tidings; lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good tidings, lift it up, do not fear; say to the cities of Judah, "Here is your God!" See, the Lord God comes with might, and his arm rules for him; his reward is with him, and his recompense before him. He will feed his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms, and carry them in his bosom, and gently lead the mother sheep.

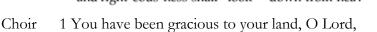
Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.*People* Thanks be to God.

Silence is marked by the ringing of a bell.

THE RESPONSE (remain seated)

Antiphon (choir, then all)





you have restored the good fortune of Jacob.

2 You have forgiven the iniquity of your people and blotted out all their sins.

All: Truth shall spring up from the earth, and right-eous-ness shall look down from heaven.

8 I will listen to what the Lord God is saying, for he is speaking peace to his faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to him.

9 Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him, that his glory may dwell in our land.

10 Mercy and truth have met together; righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

All: Truth shall spring up from the earth, and right-eous-ness shall look down from heaven.

Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13

Choir: 12 The Lord will indeed grant prosperity, and our land will yield its increase.

13 Righteousness shall go before him, and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.

All: Truth shall spring up from the earth, and right-eous-ness shall look down from heaven.

THE SECOND READING

2 Peter 3:8-15a

READER: A Reading from the second Letter of Peter

Do not ignore this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like one day. The Lord is not slow about his promise, as some think of slowness, but is patient with you, not wanting any to perish, but all to come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a loud noise, and the elements will be dissolved with fire, and the earth and everything that is done on it will be disclosed. Since all these things are to be dissolved in this way, what sort of persons ought you to be in leading lives of holiness and godliness, waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be set ablaze and dissolved, and the elements will melt with fire? But, in accordance with his promise, we wait for new heavens and a new earth, where righteousness is at home. Therefore, beloved, while you are waiting for these things, strive to be found by him at peace, without spot or blemish; and regard the patience of our Lord as salvation.

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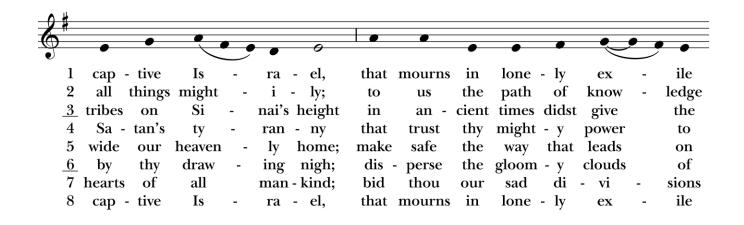
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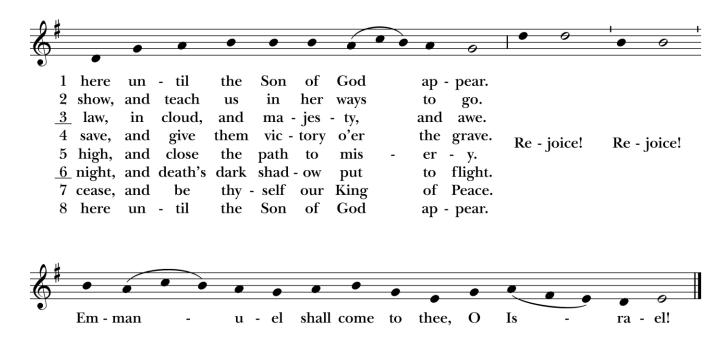
GRADUAL HYMN (sung by all, next page)

O come, o come Emmanuel: verses 3-4

(HYMNAL 56)

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| , , | | come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - son come, thou Wis - dom from on high, who or - dere | |
| , | | come, O come, thou Lord of might, who to thy | |
| · · · — | | come, thou Branch of Jes - se's tree, free them from | |
| , , | | come, thou Key of Da - vid, come, and o - per | n |
| (Dec. 21) <u>6</u> | Ο | come, thou Day-spring from on high, and cheer us | 5 |
| (Dec. 22) 7 | Ο | come, De - sire of na - tions, bind in one the | e |
| (Dec. 23) 8 | Ο | come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som | \mathbf{n} |





The stanzas may be used as antiphons with "The Song of Mary" on the dates given.

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THE HOLY GOSPEL

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark *People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. As it is written in the prophet Isaiah, "See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way; the voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight," John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

The Gospel of the LordPeoplePraise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

Karen Haig

Silence is marked by the ringing of a bell.

THE NICENE CREED Presiding Priest and People

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary; and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us offer our prayers to God, who clothes us in the armor of light and offers us the gift of immortal life, responding, "Come, O come, Emmanuel."

For peace throughout the world, that swords of destruction may become tools for good and every heart be filled with the light of hope;

let us pray. "Come, O come, Emmanuel."

For the Church, that she would grow in the love of God and be a sheltering haven for all who turn to her;

let us pray. "Come, O come, Emmanuel."

For the grace to choose the path that leads to eternal life, giving generously toward the relief of poverty and despair, homelessness and fear, so that through our actions, the saving love of Christ would be revealed;

let us pray. "Come, O come, Emmanuel."

For the leaders of the nations of the world, that power would give way to servanthood, that triumph would give way to right actions, that greed would give way to justice and dignity for all people; let us pray. *"Come, O come, Emmanuel."*

For ourselves, that we would hunger for the teachings of Jesus, seeking opportunities for learning, study and communion with those who follow Him; let us pray. *"Come, O come, Emmanuel."*

In thanksgiving for those who stay awake in the dark corners of human experience, abiding faithfully with those who are in any need of healing, peace and comfort, especially _____; let us pray. "Come, O come, Emmanuel."

In thanksgiving for the lives of those who have died, especially _____; let us pray. "Come, O come, Emmanuel."

In anticipation of Jesus dwelling amongst us, let us offer our own prayers either spoken or unspoken; let us pray. *"Come, O come, Emmanuel."*

The Presider adds a concluding Collect.

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

† or **I** Silence may be kept.

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

The Presiding Priest says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen**.

THE PEACEPresiding PriestThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMEN'TS, BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Prayer for a Birthday:

Watch over your child, O Lord, as *her* days increase; bless and guide *her* wherever *she* may be. Strengthen *her* when *she* stands; comfort *her* when discouraged or sorrowful; raise *her* up if *she* fall; and in *her* heart may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of *her* life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer for a Wedding Anniversary:

O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

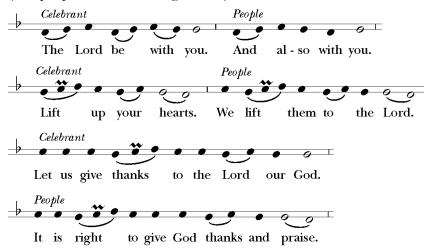
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| OFFERTORY (choir) | The Song of Zechariah | Jacob Handl |
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| (Revelation 22:12-17) | | - |
| | Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; * | |
| | he has come to his people and set them free. | |
| | He has raised up for us a mighty savior, | |
| | born of the house of his servant David. | |
| | Through his holy prophets he promised of old, | |
| | that he would save us from our enemies, | |
| | from the hands of all who hate us. | |
| | He promised to show mercy to our fathers | |
| | and to remember his holy covenant. | |
| | This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham, | |
| | to set us free from the hands of our enemies, | |
| | Free to worship him without fear, | |
| | holy and righteous in his sight | |
| | all the days of our life. | |

PRESENTATION

| Presiding Priest | All things come from you, O Lord, |
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| People | and of your own have we given you. |

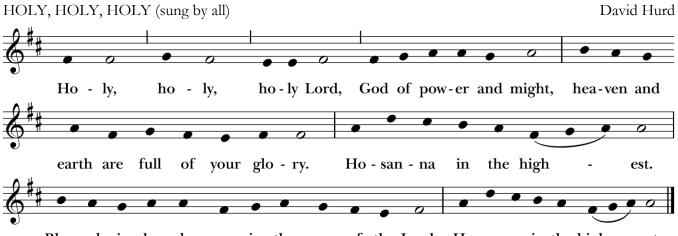
(The people remain standing as able.)



It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est. Music: From *New Plainsong*; David Hurd (b. 1950). Copyright © 1981 GIA Publications, Inc.

The Presiding Priest continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the

Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Presiding Priest and People We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

The Presiding Priest continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with blessed Barnabas and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,

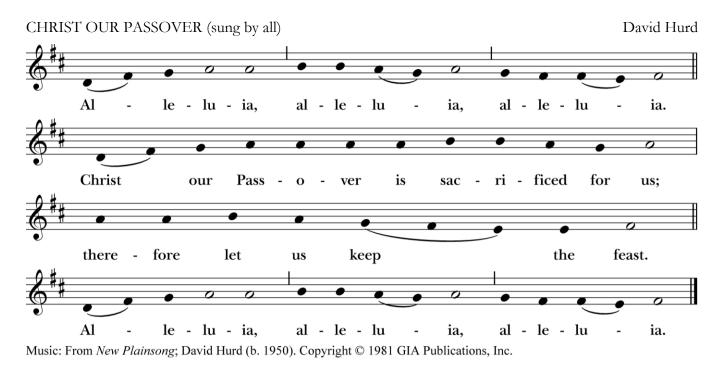
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread,

and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.



THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The gifts of God for the People of God, holy things for holy people.

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

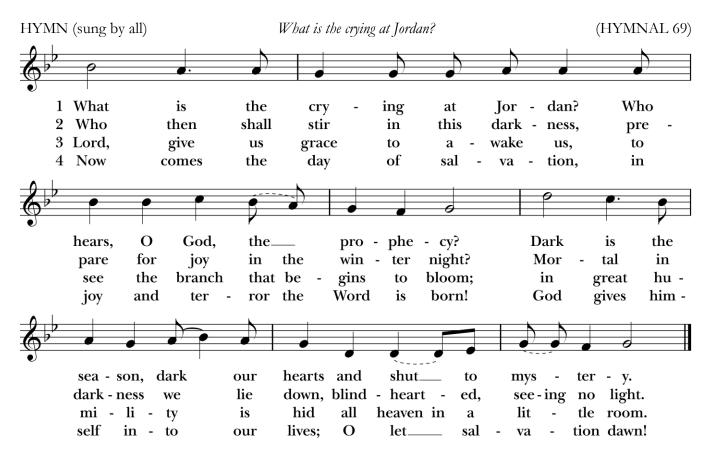
This is Jesus' table around which we gather, and all are welcome to receive communion. If you prefer to receive a blessing, or not to receive wine, fold your arms across your chest as a sign. Gluten-free wafers are available, please ask the priest.

An Act of Spiritual Communion for those worshipping online.

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.



O saving Victim, who opens the door of heaven, our foes abound; give us strength, grant us aid.



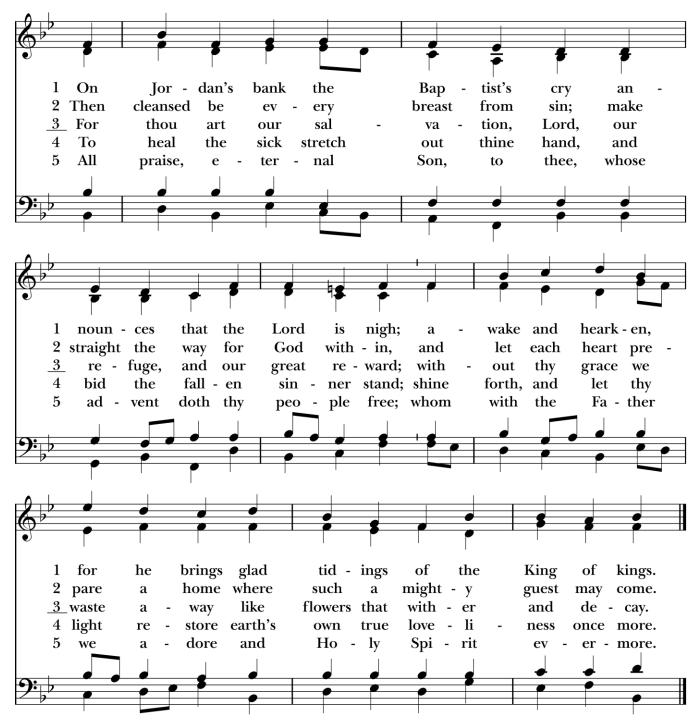
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THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

THE BLESSING

 HYMN (sung by all, next page)
 On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry
 (HYMNAL 76)



Words: Charles Coffin (1676-1749); tr. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944), after John Chandler (1806-1876); alt. Music: *Winchester New*, melody from *Musicalishes Hand-Buch*, 1690; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889), alt.

DISMISSAL

People Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. **People**

PROCESSION

POSTLUDE

On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry

Malcom Archer

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